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"Truly Catastrophic" Economic Prospects

Wedemeyer Breaks His Silence

Boston, Oct. 16.—The local office of the United Service to China today released a letter from Lt.-Gen Albert C. Wedemeyer to Mrs. John Gardner Coolidge, Vice President of the Women's Division of the organization, in which he called for American aid to the Chinese people, but warned that without "drastic" economic reforms the nation would be "drawn into the Soviet orbit."

The letter was the first break in Gen. Wedemeyer's silence since his return from the Far East and was released with his expressed permission. Gen. Wedemeyer charged that the Soviet Union would "capitalise fully upon disorganisation and chaos in the area exactly as she had done in Europe." He criticised the "corruption and maladministration" in the Chinese Government but expressed confidence in the sincerity of President Chiang Kai-shek.

"As I interpret the American policy, we are not trying to impose our political and economic structure upon other peoples but we are striving to create conditions that will enable the people to express themselves freely concerning how and by whom they will be governed and concomitantly to protect their personal liberties and establish decency in human relationships," Gen. Wedemeyer said.

ENTITLED TO HELP

I admire and respect the Chinese people and feel they are entitled to our friendly assistance with one stipulation—that such assistance is supervised to insure worthy Chinese receive the benefit thereof."

Lt.-General Albert Wedemeyer in his letter said, "It would be most unfortunate to ask the American people to give assistance that might strengthen the position of persons or groups undermining the principles of the United Nations Charter."

Terming China's present condition as "an evolution and revolution," Gen. Wedemeyer said, "With approximately 80 percent of the population illiterate it is my opinion that it would be unsound to expect true democratic procedures. However, we Americans should support the aspirations of the Chinese to improve their cultural position and participate intelligently and realistically in the government. I retain the conviction that Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek is sincere in his desire to accomplish these objectives."

Ministers Threatened

London, Oct. 16.—The Evening Standard said today that British Intelligence officers in Palestine had warned America's Federal Bureau of Investigation of terrorist death threats against the British Colonial Secretary, Mr Arthur Creech Jones, and the Minister of State, Mr Hector McNeil, who are attending the United Nations meeting in New York.

FBI agents have been assigned to guard the Ministers, the Standard said. It also said the terrorists were the same who had threatened death to the Foreign Secretary, Mr Ernest Bevin, earlier this week—United Press.

Dismantling German War Plants

Berlin, Oct. 16.—The American and British Military Governments announced today that 682 war and industrial plants would be dismantled as reparations and the British Military Governor, Sir Brian Robertson, warned German labour leaders not to try to prevent the programme by calling strikes.

Sir Brian said that "steps will be taken" to enforce the dismantling programme. He declined to disclose the nature of the steps if struck were called.

He told a press conference that industrial capacity to be retained under the new Anglo-American level of industry plan "would be ample to enable the bi-zonal area to make a maximum contribution to European recovery within the framework of the Marshall Plan."

Lawrence Wilkinson, American Military Government Economics chief, said the dismantling plan opened the door for the resumption of reparation allocations to the Soviet Union.

POLICY HOLDS GOOD

Mr. Wilkinson explained that the 18-month-old American policy of no more allocations for Russia was not dead. He spoke at a press conference held by Maj.-Gen. George P. Hays, deputy Military Governor.

Mr. Wilkinson said the "stop-gap" policy clamped down by General Lucius Clay in March 1946 applied

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MARSHALL PLAN CHIEFS' WARNING

Save Food Campaign Successes Claimed

Washington, Oct. 16.—Two European "Marshall plan" chiefs warned at a press conference here today that a "truly catastrophic" prospect lies ahead for Europe if adequate United States aid is not forthcoming in good time. They were Sir Oliver Franks (Britain), Chairman of the 16-nation Marshall plan Committee, and M. Hervé Alphand (France), Rapporteur General.

Sir Oliver said: "It is not just a matter of a further lowering of the standard of living. It is a matter of the essentials of life not being there—of sufficient quantity not being obtainable so that life itself can go on."

The warning came while reports were still circulating here that no special session of Congress would be held this year and the Marshall plan was unlikely to get fully under way until the middle of 1948.

Sir Oliver claimed that the economic situation in Europe was deteriorating at "catastrophic speed".

He pointed out that the Paris report of his Committee was based on the economic level of Europe at July, 1947.

Since then conditions had grown worse and were still worsening and the successful fulfilment of the Marshall plan itself was made more difficult by every lowering of the economic standards.

As far as Britain was concerned, Sir Oliver said that the recent steps taken by the Government to reorganise production and the export programme represented a "lowering of industrial activity" and made Britain's own obligations under the Marshall plan just that bit more difficult to achieve.

Sir Oliver Franks and M. Alphand both refrained from giving many details of the discussions they have had so far with the United States Acting Secretary of State, Mr Robert Lovett.—Reuter.

TRUMAN OPTIMISTIC

Washington, Oct. 16.—President Truman reported today that considerable success has met his efforts to find funds for needy European countries before Congressional action.

The President's statement strengthened the reliable reports circulating here that the administration has tentatively decided not to call a special session of Congress this year.

President Truman stressed that a special session is still "possible" and should not be ruled out.

Nevertheless, his optimistic remarks about obtaining funds following recent actions releasing over \$140,000,000 to France strengthened the belief that the Administration had decided to wait until Congress reconvenes in January before asking them to approve the overall \$800,000,000 stop-gap aid programme.

President Truman angrily denounced "the tremendous gambling" on United States commodity exchanges and blamed it for soaring domestic prices and the difficulty in obtaining grain for export.

He disclosed that the United States Attorney General, Mr Tom Clark, was carrying out an investigation of this gambling, particularly on the Chicago grain market, with a view to a possible Grand Jury inquiry into the situation.

ON WAY TO SUCCESS

In the meantime, President Truman reported his voluntary food conservation programme was "well on the way to success."

Avoiding comment on whether compulsory measures would be needed to obtain the necessary 100,000,000 bushels more for the European countries, the President described the present campaign as "an attempt to get this free enterprise nation to do what other nations do with police methods."

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PERCIVAL'S SINGAPORE REPORT HELD UP

London, Oct. 16.—A "wrangle" between the civil and military administrators in Malaya which has resulted in discussions between the Australian and British Governments, is responsible for the delay in the publication of Lieutenant General A. E. Percival's long awaited dispatches on the fall of Singapore, it was authoritatively learned here tonight.

Following complaints that certain statements in the dispatches showed the Malaya Civil Administration "in an unfavourable light," important political issues were raised which the Australian Government have taken up with Whitehall.

Copies of General Percival's dispatches, in type and ready for issue six months ago were, according to practice, sent to Canberra, and since then there have been many coded messages between the two Governments.

It was understood that discussions were still continuing and there was no indication yet when the "wrangle" is likely to be sorted out.

The War Office tonight refused to make any comment other than to say: "We have not the slightest idea when the Percival dispatches will be published."

Meanwhile, letters of protest at the delay continue to appear in the British Press.

Writing in today's London Times from Edinburgh, Lieutenant Colonel Arthur Murray said, "Important voices, including that of General Percival, have pleaded for the publication of papers throwing light on the Singapore tragedy, but without result."—Reuter.

The Sports Column

Lightweight Title For Thompson

CONTEST STOPPED

Liverpool, Oct. 16.—Billy Thompson, of Yorkshire, became the British lightweight champion at the Liverpool football ground tonight when he beat Tan Hawthorne, of North Shields, in the third round of their fight for the vacant title. The referee stopped the contest after Hawthorne had received a merciless hammering in the third round.

Hawthorne had outpointed Thompson for the Northern Area championship in September last year, but 20,000 enthusiastic spectators tonight saw the amiable Yorkshireman in a fighting fury as he battered his opponent mercilessly on to the ropes.

After the second round, during which Hawthorne took two counts of six and one of eight, the issue was never in doubt,

Hawthorne looked good in the opening rounds when he caught Thompson three times with his famous right hand punch, but the Yorkshireman adopted rushing tactics in the second round and the policy paid.

He rocked Hawthorne with some heavy punches to the body, switched his attack to the head, and Hawthorne was down.

He staggered to his feet at six, only to be sent crashing down again under a barrage of blows, which were repeated a few moments later for Hawthorne to take a further count.

Hawthorne failed to withstand his rival's terrific attack in the third round and only kept on his feet by holding on to the ropes. As Thompson landed about 20 punches in succession against a completely defenceless opponent, the referee had no hesitation in stopping the contest in his favour.—Reuter.

MIGOLI WINS

Newmarket, Oct. 17.—The Aga Khan's Eclipse Stakes winner Migoli, which also finished second in the Derby and third in the St Leger, left no doubt about his superiority over the French challenger, Marcel Besse's Nigral, with an easy two-length win in the £2,000 Champion Stakes, run over one and a quarter miles here today.

Starting an even money favourite and ridden by the champion jockey, Gordon Richards, Migoli took the lead at the dip and galloped on strongly up the hill to win in the exceptionally fast time of two minutes 4 1/5 seconds.

Migoli, who beat Tudor Minstrel in the Eclipse Stakes over the same distance, was a popular winner of the 60-year-old race, which is a coveted prize for owners and breeders.

Migoli is by the French-bred Derby winner, Bois Roussel.

Nigral started at six to four against.

The Aga Khan's Claro, which set the pace, finished third, a further length behind at 10 to 6.

Migoli has now finished racing for this year, but will be kept in training next year with the Eclipse Stakes as his main objective, according to Prince Aly Khan.—Reuter.

Cambridgeshire Call-Over

London, Oct. 16.—The card for the Cambridgeshire, to be run at Newmarket on October 29, was called over at the Victoria Club tonight as follows:

5 to 1 Mighty Mohrstar offered, 12 to 1 Tite Street offered, 100 to 8 Vagabond offered, 13 to 1 Taken and wanted, 100 to 8 Clare offered, 100 to 7 Taken and wanted, 20 to 4 1 Law Sulten offered, 20 to 1 Falice Fulmar offered, 25 to 1 Taken, 25 to 1 Merry Quip, Roi di T'Out, Master Vote and Woodchat, all taken and offered, 28 to 1 Someo offered, 80 to 1 Taken and offered, 33 to 1 Early Harvest taken and offered, 33 to 1 Fine (Continued on Page 6).

HAUNTEDHOUSE OWNER TO PAY

London, Oct. 15.—An appeal to reduce taxes on a country mansion because it was allegedly haunted failed today despite the tax assessor's loud arguments on behalf of the ghosts.

Councillor Henry Richards, who attended two midnight seances at a lonely home, declared that on the evidence of qualified psychic researchers, the house was definitely haunted by the ghosts of two lovers who died nearly 300 years ago.

However, the Luton Area Assessment Committee meeting at Luton this morning ruled the house at Aspley Guise, Bedfordshire, not haunted and the owner, B. Key of "The Pie Crust," Eel Pie Island, Twickenham, must pay full taxes.

Richards argued that researchers accompanying him had actually seen the ghosts of beautiful young Bessie and her lover John who, according to legend, were locked in a cellar close by Bessie's enraged father and died to die there.

Richards later told the United Press, "I did not see the ghosts myself, but there definitely is something there."

He added: "Ninety percent of the public will say rubbish, but the evidence of psychic researchers into such a subject should be accepted as much as a physician's diagnosis of a human malady."—United Press.

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Newspapermen Pessimistic About U.N.

the United Nations, it is "furthering the vital interests of the United States."

Many of the comments were that Secretary of State Marshall has as one correspondent puts it, "remained on the sidelines while the United States delegates fumbled the ball."

Another said the Assembly lacked any outstanding delegates and was only an "amazing collection of mediocrities."

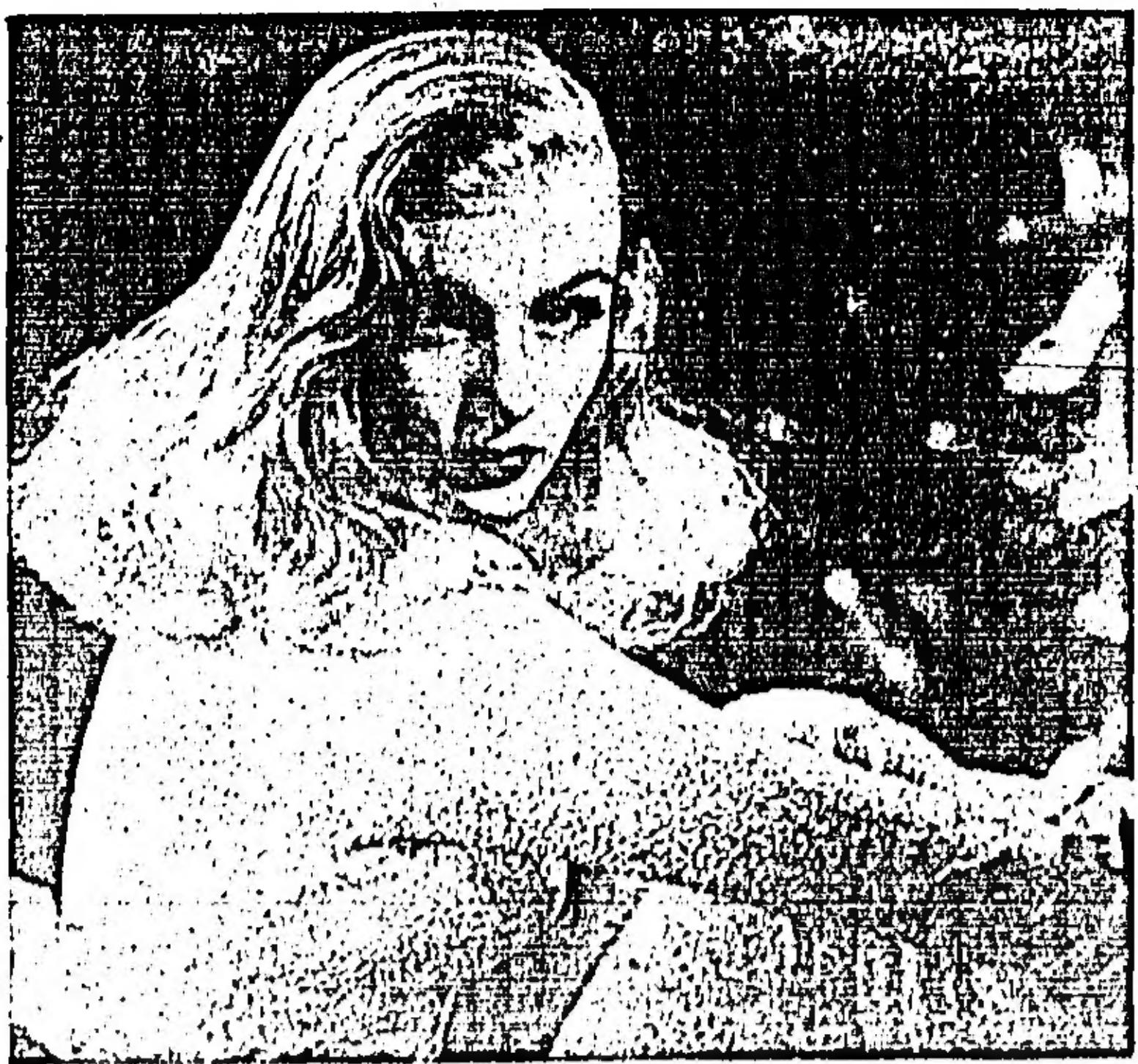
The poll listed 48 correspondents, chiefly Americans but also representing the press of Europe, the

British Empire, Asia and Slav states.

Thirty-three thought the current meeting of the General Assembly had produced skepticism about the chances for survival, six thought it had improved the outlook, two thought the United Nations were doomed and three undecided.

Only four thought the meeting was offering anything constructive as far as "Soviet-American relations" were concerned. Thirty-eight said it had not and three were undecided.—United Press.

Women ————— This Space Every Day
BEAUTY ARTS
By LOIS LEEDS



Posed by Veronica Lake for Lois Leeds.

Change your hairdo, mouth makeup or your favourite colour to stimulate new interest!

STAR SHINE!

Veronica Lake, Paramount star, became famous for her over-the-eye hairdo, but when she and the public tired of it she chose a new hair style. Never be afraid of a change. It stimulates the interest of your public.

Here and There! White touches are here again—embroidery, pique and even net ruching is being used—very "little girl" and very flattering! Red coats and coats in Tulle-Rod (a purplish shade) look wonderful for wear with prints.

White cloth suits are the newest, the most exciting fashion. Worn with beige accessories, they are very dramatic. And never forget the beige makeup in face powder and powder foundation.

Flower hats are about through and sleek, tailored straws are here. As giddy bows, flowers and exaggerated hipline treatment move to the back, new spring and summer costumes, it is obvious that in the months to come dramatic exits will be as exciting as entrances!

What Every Woman Knows! Fashion history is being made these days and the screen is helping to make it. The longer skirt—the long, slim two-line—the small waistline

MORE GOOD SAUCES

More sauces to make poultry, fish or puddings attractive:

Sweet Sauce

(For boiled and steamed puddings)

Ingredients: One pint milk, 1 tablespoon cornflour, 1 tablespoon sugar, small piece of butter, flavouring.**Method:** Blend the cornflour with a little of the milk. Heat the remainder and stir in the cornflour. Cool for a few minutes. Add butter, sugar, and a few drops of flavouring.**Bread Sauce**

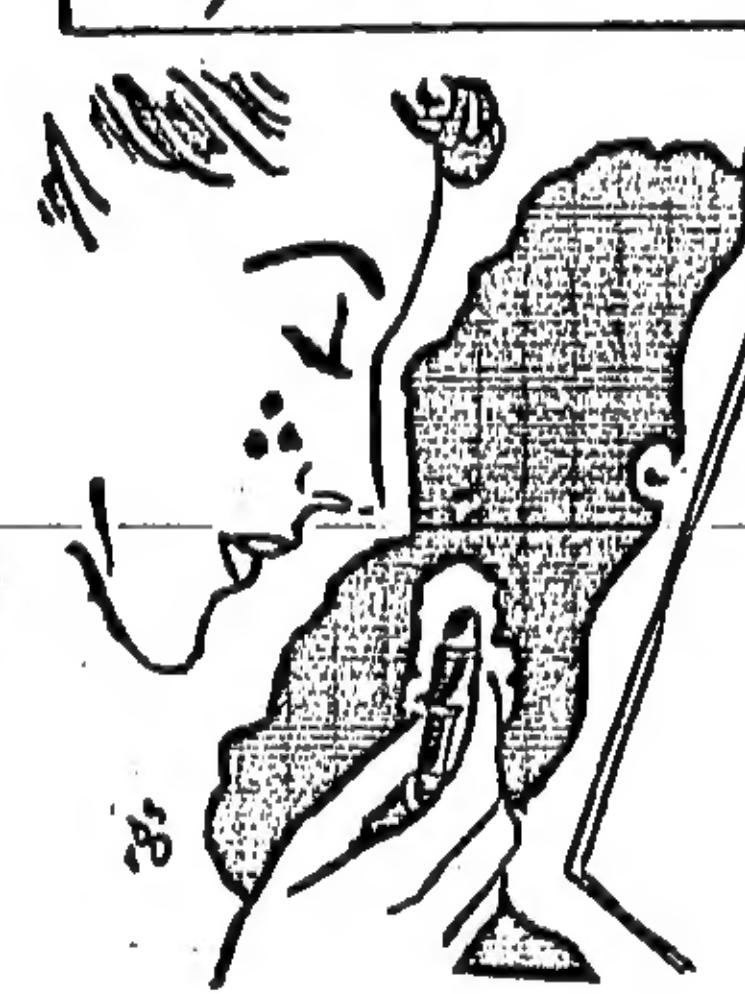
(Serve with roast fowl, etc.)

Ingredients: One cup milk, 2oz. breadcrumbs, 1 clove, 1 blade mace, 1 onion, 1oz. butter, salt and cayenne.**Method:** Peel the onion, put into a saucepan with the milk and mace, bring slowly to the boil, add the breadcrumbs, leave by the side of the fire about 15 minutes, or until the bread thickens and becomes soft. Remove the onion, add butter and seasoning, beat with a fork. Reheat and serve.**Apple Sauce**

(Serve with roast duck, goose or pork)

Ingredients: Half-dozen tart apples, 1 tablespoon sugar, 2 tablespoons water, pinch salt, few drops lemon-juice, 1 dessertspoon butter.**Method:** Peel, core and slice the apples. Put into a saucepan with the other ingredients and cook until apples are soft. Beat until smooth.**Wine Sauce**

(Serve with boiled or steamed puddings)

Ingredients: Quarter-pint sherry, yolks of 2 eggs, 1 tablespoon castor sugar.**Method:** Beat the yolks a little. Add the sugar and sherry. Pour into a double saucepan and whisk over a low gas until thick and frothy. Do not allow it to boil.*Minute Makeups*
by GABRIELLE

Always carry in your bag the same shade of lipstick that you use at home. When your lipstick wears down, heat the tip with the flame of a match in order to reshape it. While it is soft, mould it with your fingertips.

SIDE GLANCES

By Galbraith



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"I'd have come home if I knew you were going to take the yard, but we had a very important debate at the corner drugstore about the presidential election next year!"

Mussolini's Widow Living in Poverty

Isle of Ischia, Italy.—The Mussolinis of Ischia are today "just another family trying to live a quiet life." The widow, son and daughter of Italy's late Duce are poor people. Friends in the little village of Florio D'Ischia said generous neighbours donate food and clothing to help the family out.

STAR QUOTES**JOHN HODIAK***answers this question:***"What should the aims of the motion picture be?"**

ANYBODY in Hollywood will tell you, with the best of intentions, of course, what is wrong with the movies.

Personally, I believe we can get better results by thinking how we can make the most of what we have rather than dwelling on our shortcomings.

Motion pictures are the most powerful medium the visual arts have ever had for communicating ideas. The screen can be as important a testing ground and showcase for moral and sociological thinking as the stage.

The primary aim of pictures, as of the theatre, must always be entertainment. And it has been well demonstrated, with films like "The Lost Week-end," "The Southerner" and "Grapes of Wrath," that a movie can have a serious subject and moral and still be good show stuff.

Strong Entertainment

Hollywood has shown that it, like the stage, can dramatize and popularize intelligent and controversial themes, and it should do more often. In "Desert Fury," my latest picture with Elizabeth Scott and Dick Powell, I feel the most of a tense compelling drama and by so doing he has paid tribute to the mental appreciation of picturegoers. It is strong entertainment, to be sure, artistic for its setting in the Mojave Desert, faithful in its characterizations, and it also carries a strong social impact through the dramatization of the lives of the people in the story. It will entertain and, in addition, it stimulates the artistic imagination.

Personally, I feel that "Desert Fury" fulfills what I believe to be the aims of the motion picture because it possesses the qualifications I have just described.

(Tomorrow—Marlene Dietrich)

Reds Southwest Of Peiping

Nanking, Oct. 16.—Pro-Government reports here today said Communist "suicide" troops carrying explosives strapped to their backs were spearheading attacks on Government held Sushui, 75 miles southwest of Peiping on the railway to Hankow.

These reports said suicide troops twice led successful assaults on Sushui's wall gates, but that the gates were recaptured each time by the Government garrison. Communist attackers were said to number 6,000.—Associated Press.

ELIZABETH MAKES AN APPOINTMENT

London, Oct. 16.—Buckingham Palace announced tonight that Princess Elizabeth has appointed Lieut-General Sir Frederick A. M. Browning, 50-year-old wartime commander of airborne troops and husband of novelist Daphne du Maurier, to be controller and treasurer of her household.

Browning, tall and handsome, will assume his new duties on January 1, relinquishing his post as Military Secretary to the Secretary of War, to which he was named more than a year ago. His last war assignment was as Chief of Staff to Lord Louis Mountbatten, Allied Supreme Commander in Southeast Asia.

He was married to Daphne du Maurier in 1932. They have one son and two daughters, and live at an historic country retreat in Cornwall.

A few months ago, the Princess, who was 21 in April, chose her first private secretary, John Rupert Colville, 32, who served in the Royal Air Force during the war as flight lieutenant.—Associated Press.

Life Imprisonment For Terrorists

Jerusalem, Oct. 16.—Two Jewish Iranian members were sentenced to life imprisonment by a military court today when they were found guilty of carrying arms and bombs and guarding two British policemen kidnapped from a swimming pool outside Tel Aviv last June.

They are Joseph Gabriel, 24, and Abraham Katalan, 22, both of whom pleaded not guilty when the trial began a week ago.—United Press.

Gala Garden Party

in the Grounds of
Flagstaff House

(by kind permission of
Major-General G.W.M. Erskine,
C.B., D.S.O.)

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The Band of
H.M. ROYAL MARINES

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The 1st Bn.
The Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers

RAYMOND LIU
and his
HAWAIIAN
STRING ORCHESTRA

Songs by
CELIA HODGMAN
etc. etc.
BAR AND REFRESHMENTS

Communists Trying To Form Pro-Red Belt In Southeast Asia

New York, Oct. 16.—William Newton, Scripps Howard staff writer, in the second of a series of articles on the spread of Communism in Asia, wrote from Bangkok today that an "attempt is being made to unite all Southeast Asia into a pro-Communist union."

NO WAR FOR SOME YEARS, SAYS MONTY

Canberra, Oct. 16.—Mr Cyril Chambers, Australian Army Minister, said in the House of Representatives today that Field Marshal Lord Montgomery, Chief of the Imperial General Staff, had told the Australian Government he believed the world would not face another war for some years.

"It may be wrong," Mr Chambers declared, "but he has had the advantage of seeing many of the countries involved in the recent war and is entitled to speak with authority."

If there is another war in which atomic bombs are used, it will mean the end of civilisation. Casualties won't be measured by the size of armies. It won't matter whether you have 1,000 or 1,000,000 men in the field".

Mr Chambers, who was speaking on the Australian defence estimates, said that he believed the Australian permanent army of 19,000 was sufficient under present conditions.

If the situation took a more serious turn, the Government would undoubtedly review the position, he added.—Reuter.

Cairo Sparks On Strike

Cairo, Oct. 16.—The telegraph operators who struck yesterday refused to resume work today in spite of a warning by Dr Ibrahim Dessouki Abaza Pasha, Minister of Communications, that strikes affecting public utilities could be punished by legal means.

The strikers were protesting against the "long" Government day in meeting their claims for better conditions and high wages for overtime work," for which they had already struck earlier this year.

Most telegrams from Cairo to the rest of Egypt were being sent by telephone. Some were going by air mail.

Egyptian police officers renounced strike action today, following last-minute intervention by King Farouk who promised that their demands for quicker promotion and higher pay would be considered.—Reuter.

RUNAWAY PLANE KILLS TWO MEN

Naples, Oct. 16.—Two farmers were killed and two injured today when two-motored plane, taking off from Naples airport, blew a tire and swerved off the runway into a group of peasants.

No one aboard the plane was injured and damage to the aircraft was minor.—United Press.

Commcencing

To-morrow

in—

The Hongkong Telegraph.

THE LIFE STORY

of Sir James Bisset, C.B.E. recently retired Commodore of the Cunard Line and Commander of the "QUEEN ELIZABETH" written by himself.

OTHER FEATURES

Sefton Delmer's Newsmap No. 3 BAL—the new wonder drug that excels Penicillin and Streptomycin; Another of Paul Holt's "Thinking Aloud" Now Paris Fashion Trends; Vignettes of Life; Cartoons by Low and David Lahdson; Bridge and Chess Problems; Coming Week's Radio Features; Sports Quiz; Nancy and Sluggo; Home Book Reviews; Dumbells; etc. All exclusive to the "Telegraph".

CIVIL SERVANTS GO ON STRIKE

London, Oct. 16.—One hundred civil servants—men and women machine operators of photographing processes at the War Office—started an unofficial strike today.

They are protesting that the negotiations between the Civil Service Union and the Treasury on their financial position and status have taken too long.

Their demand is for a maximum £6-10-0 weekly, and "proper" recognition of their status as civil servants.

They allege that cleaners who step out of the machine rooms earn more than they do.—Reuter.

Don't Miss the Week-end

'Telegraph'



"As soon as he has them all tuned up, he's going to play some songs for us—he thinks."

Burma Freedom Treaty To Be Signed Today

London, Oct. 16.—The Prime Minister, Mr Clement Attlee, and the Burmese Premier, Thakin Nu, will sign here tomorrow the treaty of agreement made necessary by the transfer of power from Britain to Burma in January next year.

DANGER TO PEACE

INDIAN LEADER'S PROPOSAL

New Delhi, Oct. 16.—Sir Mirza Ismail, a leading Indian statesman, today proposed that leaders of India and Pakistan meet with representatives of the United States, Australia and other members of the United Nations to consider the dangers in this sub-continent "to future world peace."

Sir Mirza, until recently Prime Minister of the state of Hyderabad, said in a special article in today's Statesman: "If we slide into the suicidal course of civil war, we shall not be left to settle it alone. And when it is settled, probably nothing will be left."

The complete answer is a conference of leaders from India and abroad to review impartially the entire situation in India and Pakistan, with special reference on the one hand, to its possibilities for a great future for the people of India as a whole, and, on the other hand, to its grave dangers as they exist at present to the future peace of the world."—Associated Press.

Junagadh's Decision

New Delhi, Oct. 16.—India's Defense Ministry announced that new detachments of Indian troops will land on Friday at Jafarabad, on the northwest coast near the predominantly Hindu state of Junagadh, whose Moslem ruler has decided to join the Dominion of Pakistan. India has protested against the decision.

India suggested to Pakistan that the 800,000 people of the state decide its future in a plebiscite. Junagadh lies in separate pieces on the Kathiawar peninsula. It is surrounded and cut up by other princely states which have chosen to join the Dominion of India. Pakistan has not replied to the proposal for an election.

Two battalions of Indian troops already are stationed at five points near Junagadh. The Indian Government said these and the new detachments had the mission of "instilling confidence" in the Hindu population of Junagadh. The new troops will be landed by the Royal Indian Navy. The ships also will pay "courtesy visits" to several other ports on the Kathiawar peninsula, midway between Karachi and Bombay.—Associated Press.

DISMANTLING WAR PLANTS

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only to the old level of industry and was "no longer applicable" because it did not affect the new bi-zonal level adopted on August 29.

He said the Military Government had received no instructions not to follow the normal procedure of submitting a bi-zonal list to the reparations directorate of the Four-Power Allied Control authority, which will divided the plants on the basis of three to the Western nations and one to Russia and Poland.

Gen. Hogg said he expected no resistance to dismantling, but added to Gen. Robertson's warning by saying that he was "ready to utilise our military force as a last resort" in the event of trouble.

He said the dismantling programme was a "very reasonable plan which the German people should accept as a just plan."

Mr Wilkinson predicted: "If all goes well" the German residents of the Anglo-American zones would achieve 80 per cent of pre-war living standards by 1951 by operating facilities remaining after the reparations plants were removed.

Asked why the Anglo-Americans had not waited for the November Foreign Ministers conference in London before making an independent reparations move, Mr Wilkinson said, "It is essential that unrest and fear on this important question should be resolved without delay."—United Press.

CONVOCATION SIDESTEPS CONTROVERSY

London, Oct. 16.—Church of England clergy today deftly sidestepped an opportunity for full discussion of a book by one of their bishops expressing doubt in the virgin birth, and declared the matter closed.

Dr E. G. Selwyn, Dean of Winchester, told the Lower House of the Convocation of Canterbury that he had made a "technical error" in making a motion yesterday afternoon thanking Dr Geoffrey Fisher, Archbishop of Canterbury, for an address in which Dr Fisher attacked the book.

Dr Selwyn said the motion, which would have permitted full discussion of "The Rise of Christianity" by Dr William Ernest Barnes, 73-year-old Bishop of Birmingham, properly should have been made under standing orders today.

He conceded that he could make the motion again today, but added: "After further consideration, I am very doubtful whether a motion on the subject would serve any useful purpose, and I find that view widely shared by others."

No Bishop In Miracles.

Dr Barnes said he had no intention of resigning his Bishopric, despite Dr Fisher's statement that if he were to do so he would not feel able to continue to hold office in the Church.

Dr Barnes said "Belief in miracles has gone from the scientific world. The Church and too many of its theologians have refused to accept the new outlook. There has been silence and delay, which are proving disastrous."

Dr Cyril Garbett, Archbishop of York, in his presidential address to the full Synod of the Convocation of York, and there was no question of prosecution or proceedings against Dr Barnes, but added that if he himself held such views his conscience would not allow him to continue in the Church of England.

"The book itself is of little importance," said Dr Garbett. "Its only importance is that it was written by a Bishop who is in charge of a diocese."—United Press.

TO-DAY'S BROADCAST

6. Studio: Children's Half Hour: 6.30. Programme of Vienna Music and Song. 7. Studio: You Asked for It: Variety Request Programme presented by Monica Jackson. 8.15 Studio: World War II News. 8.15 Studio: Varsity Musical by Vernon Jones (Vern) on Piano accompaniment by Betty Brown. 8.30 BBC Transcription Service: The Fight of Mr LaPak' by Sir George Barrie. Adapted for broadcasting by E. Barrie. 9.15 Studio: Nights of Romance. 10.15 Studio: Mozart and His Orchestra: 10.20, Mozart: "Don Giovanni" Act 1; Principal Artists, Chorus and Orchestra. 11.15 Studio: "Road to Morocco" by Bob Crosby. 12.15 Studio: "Aloma of the South Seas" in Technicolor.

BBC PROGRAMME

Transmission of the BBC General Overseas Programme which can be heard in Hongkong this evening:

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NOTICE

OF REVISION OF TIME-TABLES (ALL SERVICES) AND

ALTERATION OF THE CAUSEWAY BAY-KENNEDY TOWN

SERVICE TO OPERATE FROM HAPPY VALLEY TERMINUS

TO KENNEDY TOWN.

COMMENCING 16TH OCTOBER, 1947.

SHAUKI WAN and WESTERN MARKET ROUTE

3 Minute Service

From To First Car Last Car

Causeway Bay — Shauki Wan 5.59 a.m. 12.08 a.m.

Causeway Bay — Western Market 6.00 a.m. 12.00 midnight

Shauki Wan — Causeway Bay 6.19 a.m. 11.40 p.m.

Western Market — Shauki Wan 6.22 a.m. 11.40 p.m.

Shauki Wan — Causeway Bay — 12.28 a.m.

Western Market — Causeway Bay — 12.22 a.m.

CAUSEWAY BAY and WHITTY STREET ROUTE

2 Minute Service

From To First Car Last Car

Causeway Bay — Whitty Street 6.00 a.m. 11.28 p.m.

Whitty Street — Causeway Bay 6.30 a.m. 11.58 p.m.

HAPPY VALLEY to WHITTY STREET and KENNEDY TOWN

3 Minute Service

From To First Car Last Car

Happy Valley — Kennedy Town 6.00 a.m. 11.24 p.m.

Kennedy Town — Happy Valley 6.30 a.m. 12.00 midnight

Whitty Street — Happy Valley —